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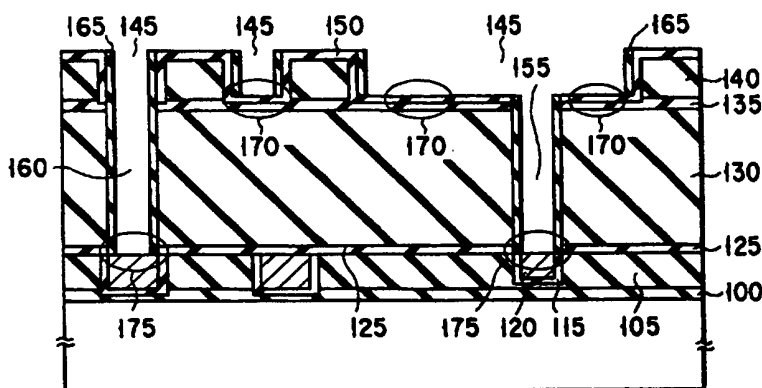
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(54) Method of manufacturing a semiconductor device of multilayer wire structure

(57) In a method of manufacturing a semiconductor device, when a copper diffusion preventing film portion (165) on the connecting hole bottom portion (145,155) is to be removed, a film thickness of other portion of the copper diffusion preventing film (165) not to be removed is more thickly formed than that of the to-be-removed copper diffusion preventing film portion on the connecting hole bottom portion, thereby only the copper diffu-

sion preventing film portion to be removed can be removed. The method can extend a durable length of time of a wire and can reduce a resistance of the metal wires in a connecting hole bottom portion by removing a copper diffusion preventing film (165) on the bottom portion of the connecting hole (145,155).

**FIG. 5****EP 0 798 778 A3**



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